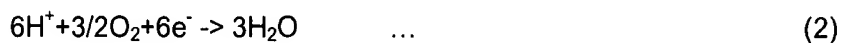


IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph spanning line 24 on page 13 of the specification with the following paragraph (Note: underlining is not used because such interferes with a clarity of the submitted formula):



Please amend the paragraph spanning line 2 on page 14 of the specification with the following paragraph (Note: underlining is not used because such interferes with a clarity of the submitted formula):



Please amend the paragraph spanning line 9 on page 14 of the specification with the following paragraph (Note: underlining is not used because such interferes with a clarity of the submitted formula):



Please amend the paragraph spanning lines 1-14 on page 24 of the specification as follows:

Fig. 4 shows a cross-sectional construction of a specific embodiment of the mechanism for selectively permeating gas. A lid 54 12 for a fuel resupply port 53 103 is provided with a plate formed with one or more pinholes whose inside surface is water repellent or a porous water repellent plate 51, 52. The lid 54 12 and the fuel resupply port 53 103, and the fuel supply port and the fuel tank are fixed to each other with a screw construction having airtightness. If the gas temperature in the tank is increased by the generation of carbon dioxide due to power generation or the rise in environmental temperature, gas is selectively permeated or discharged through many pinholes or porous plate, so that liquid fuel does not flow out.